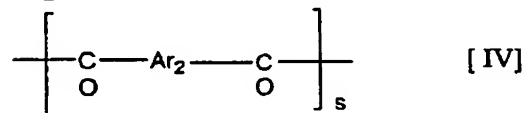
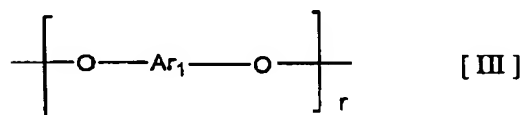
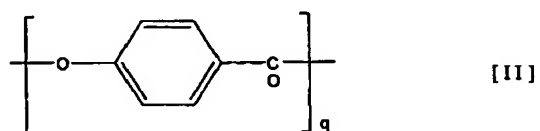
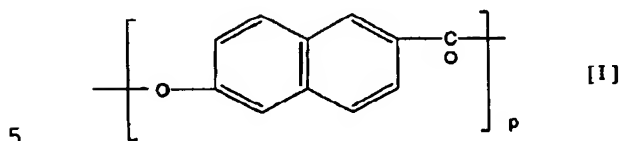


CLAIMS

1. A liquid-crystalline polyester resin, essentially consisting of the repeating units represented by formulae [I]-[IV]:



10 wherein Ar_1 and Ar_2 independently represent one or more bivalent aromatic group;

p , q , r and s represent relative molar proportions (mol %) of the repeating units based on the total repeating units represented by formulae [I]-[IV] in the liquid-crystalline polyester resin and satisfy the following formulae:

15 $0.4 \leq p/q \leq 2.0,$

$$2 \leq r \leq 15,$$

$$2 \leq s \leq 15, \text{ and}$$

$$p+q+r+s = 100,$$

provided that the liquid-crystalline polyester resin has a

melting point of 190-250°C determined by differential scanning calorimetry.

2. The liquid-crystalline polyester resin according to
5 claim 1, wherein p, q, r and s satisfy the following formulae:

$$35 \leq p \leq 48,$$

$$35 \leq q \leq 48,$$

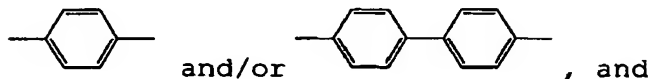
$$2 \leq r \leq 15,$$

10 $2 \leq s \leq 15,$ and

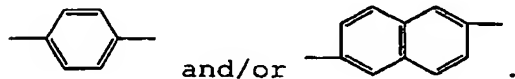
$$p+q+r+s = 100.$$

3. The liquid-crystalline polyester resin according to claim 1 or claim 2, wherein:

15 Ar₁ represents:



Ar₂ represents:



20 4. The liquid-crystalline polyester resin according to claim 1 or claim 2, wherein both Ar₁ and Ar₂ represent:



5. A liquid-crystalline polyester resin composition comprising 100 parts by weight of the liquid-crystalline polyester resin according to any one of claims 1-4 and 0.1-
5 200 parts by weight of one or more of fibrous, plate or particulate filler and/or reinforcement.

6. A molded article obtained by molding the liquid-crystalline polyester resin or the liquid-crystalline
10 polyester resin composition according to any one of claims 1-5.